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SUBJECT: U.S-PANAMA TREATY NEGOTIATIONS: ESTABLISHMENT  
OF WORKING GROUP FOR PLANNING PANAMA'S PARTICIPATION IN CANAL  
ADMINISTRATION

FOR AMBASSADOR BUNKER FROM BELL

THE "THRESHOLD AGREEMENT" ON CANAL ADMINISTRATION PROVIDED FOR  
ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP TO UNDERTAKE JOINT PLANNING FOR THE  
VARIOUS STAGES OF PANAMANIAN PARTICIPATION BEFORE THE ENTRY INTO  
FORCE OF THE NEW TREATY--A PROVISION ON WHICH PANAMA INSISTED  
VIGOROUSLY.

ACKNOWLEDGING THAT ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WORKING GROUP HAS BEEN  
SIDETRACKED BY PANAMA'S SWITCH FROM FABREGA TO LEWIS IN  
THE COMPANY'S "COUNSELLORSHIP", THEN BY FABREGA'S INVOLVEMENT  
N THE LAND-USE ISSUE, GONZALEZ-REVILLA INQUIRED WHETHER  
THE UNITED EEATE WOULD NOW BE PREPARED TO MOVE AHEAD ON THIS, AND  
WAS PLEASED WITH THE AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSE YOU HAD AUTHORIZED.

SUBSEQUENTLY HE REPORTED THAT FABREGA IS NOW PUTTING A GROUP  
TOGETHER, TO BE COMPOSED OF HIMSELF AND TWO OR THREE OTHER  
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TECHNOCRATS, ONE POSSIBLY A TELECOMMUNICATIONS EXPERT. HE UNDERSTANDS

THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD NEED A WEEK OR SO ONCE PANAMA IS ORGANIZED. THAT MAY, HOWEVER, BE QUITE SOON.

HE SUGGESTED THAT THE WORKING GROUP BEGIN BY REVEIWIN THE CONCEPTS OF THE THRESHOLD AGREEMENT AND DISCUSSING TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THEM. THAT SEEMS APPROPRIATE.  
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